Committees. One Committee is under the Chairmanship of the Union Minister overseas overall preparations; a second Committee under the Chairmanship of Director General, Sports Authority of India monitors dicipline-wise preparations.

Implementation of Post based Rosters

*693. SHRI RAMA SHANKER KAUSHIK: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that DOPT has introduced "post based rosters' in place of "Vacancy based rosters' for implementing reserving system w.e.f. 2nd July, 1997;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether, while introducing post based rosters in place of Vacancy based rosters, the process of identifying excesses/shortages, if any, in Class I, II, III and IV category of services under her Ministry was undertaken as prescribed under para (5) of the DOPT O.M. No. 36012/2/96-Estt. (Res.) dated 2nd July 1997; and

(d) if so, the results of such exercise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The post based rosters were introduced keeping in view the fact that the reservation of jobs for Backward classes i.e. SCs/STs/OBCs should apply to posts and not to vacancies.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) As a result of implementation of post based rosters, the excesses and shortages of reserved categories could be identified by the Ministry in different categories of posts. This would help the Ministry to fill the prescribed percentage in the reserved categories, in future.

Greater Managerial Autonomy to PSUs

*694. SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

'(a) whether Government propose to give greater managerial autonomy to PSUs as indicated by the Prime Minister at the Awards giving ceremony for Excellence for Public Sector Undertakings on April 1, 2000; and